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S. 569

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in the medicare program, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 16, 1995

Mr. HARKIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred jointly pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, to the Committees on the Budget and Governmental Affairs, with instructions that if one committee reports, the other committee have thirty days to report or be discharged

A BILL

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in the medicare program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Medicare Protection
5 Act of 1995".

1 SEC. 2. ADJUSTMENTS TO DISCRETIONARY SPENDING
2 LIMITS.

3 (a) ADJUSTMENTS.—Section 251(b)(2) of the Bal-
4 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985
5 (2 U.S.C. 901(b)(2)) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (E) and
7 (F) as subparagraphs (F) and (G), respectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-
9 lowing new subparagraph:

10 “(E) MEDICARE ADMINISTRATIVE
11 COSTS.—To the extent that appropriations are
12 enacted that provide additional new budget au-
13 thority (as compared with a base level of
14 \$1,609,671,000 for new budget authority) for
15 the administration of the medicare program by
16 fiscal intermediaries and carriers pursuant to
17 sections 1816 and 1842(a) of title XVIII of the
18 Social Security Act, the adjustment for that
19 year shall be that amount, but shall not ex-
20 ceed—

21 “(i) for fiscal year 1995,
22 \$161,000,000 in new budget authority and
23 \$161,000,000 in outlays;

24 “(ii) for fiscal year 1996,
25 \$177,000,000 in new budget authority and
26 \$177,000,000 in outlays;

1 “(iii) for fiscal year 1997,
2 \$195,000,000 in new budget authority and
3 \$195,000,000 in outlays;

4 “(iv) for fiscal year 1998,
5 \$214,000,000 in new budget authority and
6 \$214,000,000 in outlays;

7 “(v) for fiscal year 1999,
8 \$236,000,000 in new budget authority and
9 \$236,000,000 in outlays; and

10 “(vi) for fiscal year 2000,
11 \$259,000,000 in new budget authority and
12 \$259,000,000 in outlays; and

13 the prior-year outlays resulting from these ap-
14 propriations of budget authority and additional
15 adjustments equal to the sum of the maximum
16 adjustments that could have been made in pre-
17 ceding fiscal years under this subparagraph.”.

18 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

19 (1) Section 603(a) of the Congressional Budget
20 Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 655b(a)) is amended by strik-
21 ing “section 251(b)(2)(E)(i)” and inserting “section
22 251(b)(2)(F)(i)”.

23 (2) Section 606(d) of the Congressional Budget
24 Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 665e(d)) is amended—



1 (A) in paragraph (1)(A) by striking “sec-
2 tion 251(b)(2)(E)(i)” and inserting “section
3 251(b)(2)(F)(i)”;

4 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting
5 “251(b)(2)(E),” after “251(b)(2)(D),”.

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